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LDWF Agents Rescue 579 People from Flooded Waters Statewide

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries enforcement agents have currently rescued a total of 579 people, 52 dogs and two cats to date due to the flooding in Louisiana.

On the morning of March 11 agents rescued 303 people, 31 dogs and two cats. Those totals include 209 people, 13 dogs and one cat in Tangipahoa Parish, 47 people and 11 dogs in St. Tammany Parish, 18 people, six dogs and one cat in Washington Parish, 12 people in Caddo Parish, six people in Richland Parish, five people in Morehouse Parish, three people in West Carroll Parish, two people in Ouachita Parish and one person and one dog in Livingston Parish.

On March 10 agents rescued 199 people and 21 dogs. Those totals include 50 people in Ouachita Parish, 46 people and 13 dogs in Caddo Parish, 27 people in Vernon Parish, 19 people in Bossier Parish, 19 people in Richland Parish, 15 people and six dogs in Morehouse Parish, nine people in Bienville Parish, six people in Grant Parish, four people and two dogs in West Carroll Parish, two people in LaSalle Parish and two people in Sabine Parish.

On March 9 agents rescued 72 people including 38 people in Ouachita Parish, 32 people in Webster Parish and four in Morehouse Parish.

Agents also rescued five people on the night of March 8 in Webster Parish.

LDWF agents assisted the Ouachita Parish Sheriff’s Office on March 9 with evacuations in the Charmingdale Community and Prairie Road Community in South Ouachita Parish. LDWF agents also assisted the Richland Parish Sheriff’s Office with evacuations for residents of Rayville on March 9.

Agents also assisted West Carroll Parish with transporting nurses to the West Carroll Hospital who were unable to cross high water to reach the West Carroll Hospital facilities on March 9.

Agents will remain on alert and be ready for further search and rescue activities until the flood waters recede.

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is charged with managing and protecting Louisiana’s abundant natural resources. For more information, visit us at www.wlf.la.gov or www.FishLA.org.